Docket No.: GR 98 P 3254 D

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Hermann-Josef Conrads et al.

Div. of Applic. No. : 09/687,971, filed October 16, 2000

Div. filed : August 26, 2003

Title : Assembly Having a Spring-Loaded Tandem Control Valve

Examiner: Ramesh Krishnamurthy Group Art Unit: 3753

## INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Hon. Commissioner for Patents, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.98, the following patents and/or publications are cited herewith:

U.S. Patent No. 2,619,109 (Garrett et al.), dated November 25, 1952;

German Published, Non-Prosecuted Patent Application No. DE 39 06 888 A1 (Conrads et al.), dated September 6, 1990;

German Published, Non-Prosecuted Patent Application No. DE 44 26 857 A1 (Hau et al.), dated February 1, 1996;

German Patent No. 455 133, dated January 25, 1928.

The above-mentioned references were cited in an *Information Disclosure Statement* dated January 31, 2001, in parent application No. 09/687,971.

U.S. Patent No. 3,298,390 (De Graaf), dated January 1967;

U.S. Patent No. 4,402,341 (Reip), dated September 1983;

U.S. Patent No. 4,672,995 (Powell), dated June 1987;

U.S. Patent No. 4,977,925 (Tiefenthaler), dated December 1990;

U.S. Patent No. 5,590,684 (Alberts et al.), dated January 1997;

U.S. Patent No. 6,386,228 (Conrads et al.), dated May 2002.

The above-mentioned references were cited in an Office Action dated June 11, 2003, in parent application No. 09/687,971.

Respectfully submitted,

LAURENCE A. GREENBERG REG. NO. 29.308

For Applicants

Date: August 26, 2003

Lerner and Greenberg, P.A. Post Office Box 2480 Hollywood, FL 33022-2480

Tel:

(954) 925-1100

Fax:

(954) 925-1101

/bb

FORM PTO-1449 (SUBSTITUTE)  U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE				Attorney Docket No.: Divisional of Applic. No. GR 98 P 3254P D 09/687,971  Applicant Hermann-Josef Conrads et al.				
INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT (37 CFR 1.98(b))				Filing Date of Divisional Group Art Unit August 26, 2003 3753				
EXAMINER INITIALS		PATENT NO.	DATE	PATENTEE	CLASS	SUB CLASS	FILI DA	
	Α	2,619,109	11/52	Garrett et al.				
	В	3,298,390	01/67	De Graaf				
	С	4,402,341	09/83	Reip				
	D	4,672,995	06/87	Powell				
	Е	4,977,925	12/90	Tiefenthaler				
	F	5,590,684	01/97	Alberts et al.				
	G	6,386,228	05/02	Conrads et al.				
	Н							
	I							
FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENT								
						SUB	TRA	
	J	DE 39 06 888 A1	09/90	COUNTRY Germany	CLASS	CLASS	YES	NO
	K	DE 44 26 857 A1	02/96	Germany				
	L	455 133	01/28	Germany				
	M	133 133	01/20	Germany				
	N				-			
OTHER DOCUMENTS (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, etc.)								
EXAMINER				DATE CONSIDERED				
EXAMINER: Initial if citation considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609; Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.								